

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An optical semiconductor device comprising:
 - an optical semiconductor element having first and second electrodes;
 - a first conductor line connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and supplying a first electric signal to the optical semiconductor element;
 - a second conductor line connected to the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and supplying a second electric signal to the optical semiconductor element;
 - a first inductance element connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element and the first conductor line; and
 - a second inductance element connected between the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a ground potential such that one end of the second inductance element is connected at the ground potential, and connected to the second conductor line, wherein:
 - the first and the second conductor lines constitute a pair of differential lines; and
 - the first and second inductance elements are configured to permit a bias current to pass therethrough, and simulataneously prevent the first and

second electric signals from passing therethrough, respectively.

2. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, further comprising a pair of matching resistors connected to the first and second electrodes of the optical semiconductor element, respectively, and introducing the first and second electric signals to the optical semiconductor element, respectively.

3. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 2, comprising:

a first bias circuit including the first inductance element and a first resistor connected in parallel to the first inductance element; and

a second bias circuit including the second inductance element and a second resistor connected in parallel to the second inductance element.

4. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, comprising:

a first bias circuit including the first inductance element and a first resistor connected in parallel to the first inductance element; and

a second bias circuit including the second inductance element and a second resistor connected in parallel to the second inductance element.

5. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 2, comprising a filter that cuts off frequencies higher than at least a maximum repetition frequency of a digital signal, the filter provided

between the first and the second conductor lines and the pair of matching resistors.

6. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 5, wherein

the filter includes a first conductor finger section and a second conductor finger section in which a plurality of conductors crossing the first and the second conductor lines are formed, respectively, to have a comb shape, the first conductor finger section and the second conductor finger sections being alternately arranged.

7. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 6, comprising:

a package containing the first and the second conductor lines therein;
a lens that condenses light emitted from the optical semiconductor element; and
an optical fiber holding member that holds an optical fiber.

8. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 7, wherein the first and the second inductance elements are air-cored coils.

9. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 8, wherein the optical semiconductor element is a semiconductor laser diode.

10. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device

according to claim 1, comprising:

- a package containing the first and the second conductor lines therein;
- a lens that condenses light emitted from the optical semiconductor element; and
- an optical fiber holding member that holds an optical fiber.

11. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the first and the second inductance elements are air-cored coils.

12. (Original) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the optical semiconductor element is a semiconductor laser diode.

13. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein impedances of at least two bias circuits are set to be substantially asymmetric.

14. (Currently Amended) An optical semiconductor device comprising:

- an optical semiconductor element having first and second electrodes;
- a first differential input terminal supplying a first electric signal to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element;
- a second differential input terminal supplying a second electric signal opposite in phase to the first electric signal supplied by the first differential input terminal, to the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element;

a first inductance element connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element and the first conductor line, and cutting off the first electric signal at a high frequency; and

a second inductance element connected between the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a ground potential such that one end of the second inductance element is connected at the ground potential, connected to the second conductor line, and cutting off the second electric signal at a high frequency,

wherein the first and second inductance elements are configured to permit a bias current to pass therethrough, and simultaneously prevent the first and second electric signals from passing therethrough, respectively.

15. (Currently Amended) An optical semiconductor device comprising:

an optical semiconductor element having first and second electrodes;

a pair of differential amplifiers each having a first terminal and a second terminal connected to the first and second electrodes of the optical semiconductor element, respectively, and supplying first and second electric signals to the optical semiconductor element, respectively;

a first inductance element connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and cutting off the first electric signal at a high frequency; and

a second inductance element connected between the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a ground potential such that one

end of the second inductance element is connected at the ground potential,
and cutting off the second electric signal at a high frequency,

wherein the first and second inductance elements are configured to
permit a bias current to pass therethrough, and simulataneously prevent the
first and second electric signals from passing therethrough, respectively.

16. (Currently Amended) An optical semiconductor device
comprising:

an optical semiconductor element having first and second electrodes;
first and second conductor lines connected to the first and second
electrodes of the optical semiconductor element, and supplying first and
second differential signals to the optical semiconductor element, respectively;

a first terminal electrically connected to the first conductor line and the
first electrode of the optical semiconductor element; a second terminal
electrically connected to the second conductor line and the second electrode
of the optical semiconductor element;

a first bias circuit electrically connected to the first terminal and cutting
off the first differential signal at a high frequency; and

a second bias circuit electrically connected to the second terminal,
between the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a
ground potential such that one end of the second bias circuit is connected at
the ground potential, and cutting off the second differential signal at a high
frequency,

wherein the first and second bias circuits are configured to permit a bias

current to pass therethrough, and simulataneously prevent the first and second differential signals from passing therethrough, respectively.

17. (Currently Amended) An optical semiconductor device comprising:

an optical semiconductor element having first and second electrodes;

a first conductor line connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and supplying a first electric signal to the optical semiconductor element;

a second conductor line connected to the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and supplying a second electric signal to the optical semiconductor element;

a first inductance element connected to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element and the first conductor line; and

a second inductance element connected between the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a ground potential such that one end of the second inductance element is connected at the ground potential, and connected to the second conductor line, wherein;

the optical semiconductor element is driven by a push-pull operation; and

the first and second inductance elements are configured to permit a bias current to pass therethrough, and simulataneously prevent the first and second electric signals from passing therethrough, respectively.

18. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device

according to claim 17, wherein impedances of at least two bias circuits are set to be substantially asymmetric.

19. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, further comprising:

a first matching resistance connected in parallel to the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and introducing the first electric signal to the optical semiconductor element; and

a second matching resistance connected in parallel to the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element, and introducing the second electric signal to the optical semiconductor element.

20. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 19, further comprising a filter circuit that cuts off frequencies higher than at least a maximum repetition frequency of a digital signal, the filter having first and second electrodes respectively connected to the first and second matching resistances.

21. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein:

the first inductance element is connected in parallel to the first conductor line and the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element; and

the second inductance element is connected in parallel to the second conductor line and the second electrode of the optical semiconductor element.

22. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the first inductance element is connected between the first electrode of the optical semiconductor element and a current source.

23. (Previously Presented) The optical semiconductor device according to claim 12, wherein the first electrode is a cathode of the semiconductor laser diode, and the second electrode is an anode of the semiconductor laser diode.